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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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11 TRIPLE A MACHINE SHOP INC.,

No. C 07-02371 CRB

12 Plaintiff,

**ORDER RE: REQUEST FOR STAY
OF PROCEEDINGS AND
APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL**

13 v.

14 THOMAS G. OLSEN,

15 Defendant.

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17 Defendant's request for a stay of proceedings and appointment of counsel is DENIED.

18 The Court is cognizant that "the pro se litigant is far more prone to making errors in pleading
19 than the person who benefits from the representation of counsel," since pro se litigants are
20 "[p]resumably unskilled in the law." Noll v. Carlson, 809 F.2d 1446, 1448 (9th Cir. 1987).

21 The Court notes, however, that Defendant represented himself in a previous lawsuit that he
22 brought against the same adversaries who filed this lawsuit against him. The Court is aware
23 of its role in protecting the interests of pro se litigants and ensuring the fairness of the

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1 proceedings. Accordingly, the Court is prepared to grant Defendant reasonable
2 accommodations during the proceedings in light of his difficult circumstances.

3 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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CHARLES R. BREYER
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE